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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on whole body hens and toms barely steady to weak. Light trading reported on hens and toms for prompt arrivals for fill-in needs. Demand mixed but generally slow. Supplies of hens and toms fully adequate for trade needs. Interest for parts and meats light and seasonally slow for domestic usage. Spotty trading.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light to moderate. Demand active on frozen thigh meat going to Mexico while the balance of items inactive to slow. Supplies adequate except for frozen thigh meat, which is held in firm hands.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **DECEMBER 04, 2001**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-71	70	70.00	320	-	-	-	40	DEC
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-74	74	74.00	28	-	-	-	240	DEC
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-76	70-76	72.33	600	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	61-63	61.25-62	61.50	240	-	-	-	80	DEC
CENTRAL REGION 4/	61-64	62.5-64	62.85	26	-	-	-	40	DEC
WESTERN REGION 5/	62-64	62	62.00	80	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	DEC
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65.5-70	65.5-70	68.72	230	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-72	70	70.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-60	58-60	59.60	50	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	61-63	61	61.00	40	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 4 DECEMBER 2001.

Bulk parts trade sentiment was steady to instances weak on necks, steady to barely steady on the balance. Domestic demand was slow, light to fair for export. Offerings of necks were adequate to instances burdensome, balance adequate to fully adequate with hen parts the least available. The trade sentiment was mostly steady on 15-20% mechanically separated turkey (MST). Some improved activity was noted on fresh MST, otherwise, demand light. Domestic trading centered on a moderately heavy volume of fresh MST for current shipments, balance slow. No export trading was reported. Export interest, however, continued to be noted with inquiry for frozen thigh meat the most active.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	96.00		96.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	32.00		32.00	5
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	31.00		31.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	39.00		39.00	11
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	35.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	30.50	13
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	50.00	20
NECKS, TOM	33.50-39.00		34.00	44
NECKS, HEN		M	29.00	12
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	132.60	100
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	141.00-142.00		141.67	120
THIGH MEAT	76.00		76.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	71.50	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT	124.00		124.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	125.00		125.00	80
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	120.38	320
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	130.00		130.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	81.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	14.00-15.00		14.38	576

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	31.44	72
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	26.67	156
TAILS		M	29.00	52
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	14.57	92
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	75.00	160

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	98-107
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	98-107
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	70-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	73-78

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	87-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	93-101

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 5 DECEMBER 2001.

Trade sentiment was steady to weak on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins for prompt shipments. Demand was light to instances fair with interest centered on 2002 contracts. Some contracts were noted for January-December, 2002 on fresh tom breast meat at a firm price of 163 cents delivered and fresh destrapped tenderloins with a 130 cent floor and a 165 cent ceiling. Offerings were available for current shipments. Trade sentiment on wing meat with skin was mostly steady, steady to barely steady on breast trim and scapula. Demand light. Offerings of wing meat adequate, breast trim and scapula adequate to fully adequate. Domestic trading was slow for current shipments. Export interest continued active on thigh meat, light to fair on the balance of items. Tom necks traded at 30 cents delivered port for current shipments and tom 2-joint wings at 27 cents delivered port for January.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	95.00-97.00		96.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	32.00	5
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	31.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	39.00	11
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	35.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	30.50	13
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	50.00	20
NECKS, TOM		T	34.00	44
NECKS, HEN		M	29.00	12
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	132.60	100
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	145.00		145.00	40
THIGH MEAT		T	76.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	71.50	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		T	124.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		T	125.00	80
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WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	26.67	156
TAILS	27.50-29.00		28.17	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	14.57	92
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	79.00-81.00		79.46	520

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 12/05/01

SEASON	HEAVY	ACCUMULATED HEAVY	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	
2001-2002	15,773	191,835	192,135
2000-2001	13,697	156,050	156,300

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